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## TREMBLE SPEAKS TO ADVERTISING CLUBS OF WORLD

(By Associated Press)  
Chattanooga, Tenn., Oct. 24.—Lee Tremble, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, of Griffin, Ga., is one of today's speakers at the Convention of the South-Eastern District of the World. The officers are to be elected at the afternoon session.

## USE OF SMALL XMAS PACKAGES DISCOURAGED

(By Associated Press)  
Washington, D. C., Oct. 24.—A campaign to discourage the use of small sized Christmas cards and envelopes has been inaugurated by the Post Office Department.

## SWEDISH STARS COMING HEAR TO SEEK LAURELS

(By Associated Press)  
Stockholm, Oct. 24.—As a result of the purpose to bring about closer relations between Sweden and the United States, Swedish leaders in the theatre, the opera, science and athletics are about to leave these shores for America, there to appear each in his or her particular field.

Thus nineteen-year old Arne Borg, who has broken the world's swimming records for 440 yards, 400 and 500 meters, will go to the United States in February to match his speed with Weissmuller in a series of races under the auspices of the Illinois Athletic Club. Another athlete who deserves to be watched is Christiernsson, Sweden's best hurdler, who also is going to America.

Among the men of science who have already left is Dr. Robert Barany, of Upsala University, who has made important contribution to the knowledge of the labyrinth of the ear as the organ of equilibrium. Dr. Barany will lecture at American universities and before various scientific associations. Another medical expert who will lecture in America is Dr. Einar Key, a specialist in surgery.

Dr. Sven Hedin, discoverer of Transhimalaya, also will lecture in America this winter before starting on a new expedition into Tibet.

A theatrical star who has just returned from America is Anders de Wahl, generally rated as the leading actor in Sweden. He appeared in recitals in New York City and elsewhere, and has expressed his intention of starting a more extended American tour two years from now. Meanwhile Miss Naima Wifstrand, brightest comic opera star of Sweden, is going to cross the Atlantic in a campaign for new laurels.

Swedish names in the caste of the Metropolitan Opera in New York are not unfamiliar and, according to information here, a new one is to be added to the list, for Miss Goeta Ljungberg, of the Royal Opera at Stockholm, has signed a contract to appear at twenty-eight performances at the Metropolitan during the season of 1923-24.

## Nine Tragedies Outstanding In American News Circles Busy Week At School

This is a busy week at School. In addition to the regular work there are several items of interest. On Thursday afternoon at 3:10, the Parent Teachers Association meets with a special program and business of interest is to be transacted. On Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, Wallace, the Magician and Cartoonist, will give his show in the Auditorium of the Graded School under the auspices of the Parent Teachers Association. This entertainment comes to Scotland Neck very highly recommended by the Schools, by the Portsmouth Rotary Club, and by the National War Work Council of the Y. M. C. A. and others. As all children and most adults are interested in magic, it is hoped that parents will bring their children. The admission is only 25 and 35c and any net proceeds from the entertainment will be used to advance the fine work the Parent Teachers Association is doing. They are interested just now in helping to make the School Grounds one of the show places in our progressive little city.

On Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock the American Legion will present to the School a Steel Flag Pole and flag and the Junior Order will present a Bible and Flag. To these exercises all are most cordially invited.

## GERMAN PROFESSORS WILL LECTURE IN UNITED STATES

(By Associated Press)  
Berlin, Oct. 21.—Among three prominent German educationalists who have accepted invitations to lecture before American universities the coming winter is Professor Behrandt Pick, director of the Gotha collection of coins. The Gotha exhibit was established in 1712 and includes 100,000 pieces, its Greek and Roman sections being especially noteworthy.

Doctor Pick also is a lecturer at Jena university. His tour in the United States, during which he will discuss numismatics at various seats of learning, will begin in October.

Doctor J. Elbogen, professor of history and literature of the Jews at the Berlin college for the study of Judaism, and Rabbi Doctor Perlis, of Koenigsberg, have been engaged for three months of lectures in America. They are to appear in the curriculum of the Jewish Institute for Religion recently founded by Dr. Stephan S. Wise, and will speak on Jewish history and Biblical interpretation.

## STUDENTS THREATEN STRIKE AGAINST COMMUNIST PROFESSORS

(By Associated Press)  
PETROGRAD, Oct. 24.—Russian students to the number of 10,000 will be fed by American relief during the coming scholastic year. They are located in Moscow, Petrograd, Odessa, Kiev, Ekaterinoslav, etc.

There is a dearth of professional men throughout Russia at the present time, and it is proposed to help remedy this deficiency by extending help to the classes which eventually will graduate and fill the vacant posts.

## DRAMATIC SPECTACLES, SIX OF WHICH ARE MURDER CASES, SOME BEING TRIED FOR THIRD TIME AMONG THESE THE HALL MILLS MURDER CASE PROBABLY MOST CONSPICUOUS. ALL PRESENT WOMEN IN THE LEADING ROLES.

(By Associated Press)  
Chicago, Ill., Oct. 24.—Nine tragedies stand out as dramatic spectacles in the news of America today. All of them present women in the leading roles. They have their setting in six different sections of the country. Six sensational murder cases are in their various stages of trial. Another woman, "Peggy" Beal, won her freedom from the jury in Kansas City last night. Madeline Obenchain awaits her third trial in Los Angeles. In other cases included in Los Angeles, Arthur Burch faces a third trial for murder. The Los Angeles jury to try Mrs. Clara Phillips for murder is virtually completed. In Philadelphia, Mrs. Catherine Rosier is accused of killing her husband. In New Brunswick, the Hall-Mills murder case, and in Hackensack, N. J., George Cline and others are on trial for the murder of John Bergen, the actor.

## PRINCE PROVIDES NEW VERNACULAR FOR GOLFERS

(By Associated Press)  
LONDON, Oct. 23.—The Prince of Wales established another great bond of sympathy with thousands of his countrymen recently when he duffed a shot that was heard around the golfer's world. This happened the latter part of September at St. Andrews as he was "playing himself in" as captain of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club.

Today thousands of duffers at golf are rejoicing at the enrichment of the golfing vernacular by a phrase used on a course near London, shortly after the news had been received of the prince's ordeal at St. Andrews. A player scuffed his shot and remarked: "Ah! that was a Prince of Wales!"

This phrase is likely to be generally applied to a drive which moves a considerable amount of turf as well as the golf ball.

## LONDON POLICE SUPPLY THE NEEDY WITH CASH

(By Associated Press)  
London, Oct. 23.—The fame of the London Bobby for his politeness and affability is world renowned but, contrary to the old legend, he is held in greatest honor in his own country.

A story recently appeared in a London newspaper relating how a policeman lent a medical man seven shillings with which to return to his home in Brighton. The doctor wrote a letter of commendation to Scotland Yard, which resulted in the statement by an official of that office that daily many such letters are received, and that in many cases policemen go to remarkable extremes in aiding the unfortunate.

This summer a little American girl lost her parents while sight-seeing. She was found by a policeman, and when he learned the name of the hotel at which her people were staying, he hailed a taxicab and paid the driver to take the child there. The officer did not give the little girl his name, and it was only several days later that the father, a Chicago banker, and the girl came across the man on duty. He was rewarded, and a letter of commendation sent to headquarters.

## VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY IN BRIGGS CARSON CASE

(By Associated Press)  
Athens, Ga., Oct. 24.—A verdict of not guilty was returned last night in the case of Briggs Carson, Jr., who was charged with the murder of Benny White, a negro, last Summer.

## SCIENTISTS LABOR TO CONTROL LOCUSTS

(By Associated Press)  
Philadelphia, Oct. 24.—The quiet, unobtrusive labor of two Philadelphia scientists during recent years in the realm of locusts, grasshoppers, and katydids may save the United States millions of dollars, in the future. It is demonstrated each year in the Near East, South America, and other regions, how possible it is for a locust horde, large enough to darken the sky for hours, to rise out of no where and eat to the ground thousands of miles of harvest. This has happened even in the United States, and a recurrence is what the scientists are laboring to prevent.

The two men, James A. G. Rehm, recording secretary of the Academy of Sciences, this city, and Morgan Hebard, research associate, returned recently from a tour of Southwest United States in the course of which they gathered no less than 9,000 locust specimens. Mr. Rehm declared that they are now approaching the end of the survey they set themselves to make of this portion of the insect world fifteen year ago.

"One can never know," declared Mr. Rehm, "when some species will arise in overwhelming numbers, as the Rocky Mountain locust did in the late seventies and early eighties. This species swept from its native habitat in Montana and the Northwest generally, clear down through the wheat states as far South as Texas, devouring every growing thing in its path.

"The annual cost to the world at large of locust plagues is about \$100,000,000. Last year 5,000 acres in British Columbia was stripped and in the Orient, South Africa, the Levant, and South America these insects descend on crops with deadly regularity. The great value of the expeditions fostered by the Academy is that they place at the disposal of agricultural stations in this country and elsewhere definite information of the habits, geographical preference, and data on the conditions which favor their development.

In the building of the Academy of Science here there are approximately four hundred thousand specimens of locusts, representing 40,000 separate and distinct species, the largest collection in the world. Supporting the specimens is an unparalleled store of well correlated data, readily available for reference.

## PORTO RICAN COMMERCE SHOWS DECLINE

(By Associated Press)  
San Juan, P. R., Oct. 23.—Island commerce for the fiscal year ended with June, amounting to \$136,317,720, shows a decline of \$81,410,558 from the previous year which, next to 1920, was the banner trade year of the island. Exports were valued at \$72,142,571 and imports totalled \$64,175,149.

## Chamber of Commerce Co-operates With Legion

## WOMAN'S NAME GIVEN; SHE IS MRS. GIBSON

(By Associated Press)  
New Brunswick, N. J., Oct. 24.—The name of the woman reputed to have witnessed the double murder of Rev. Edward Hall and his choir singer, Mrs. Eleanor Mills, today became known. She is Mrs. June Gibson, a widow, who, with her son, conducts a sixty-acre farm on the Hamilton road, in a sparsely settled section near here. She is said to have told the investigators that she saw a man and woman commit the crime.

## BONAR LAW CONFERS WITH IRISH LEADER

(By Associated Press)  
London, Oct. 24.—Premier Bonar Law held a conference today with William T. Cosgrave, head of the Irish Provisional Government, with regard to the Irish affairs.

## COST OF LIVING UP 20,000 PERCENT IN AUSTRIA

(By Associated Press)  
Vienna, Oct. 23.—It is estimated that the cost of living in Austria has increased over 20,000 percent since January of this year.

Each monthly index number, on which all government salaries as well as agreements between employes and employed are based, has mounted steadily, until this month government employes receive salaries equal to 156 times the amount paid in March of 1921. This and other government outlay has been met largely by the printing press, until the current statement of the Austro-Hungarian Bank shows a total note circulation of nearly two thousand billions of kronen. One week's increase alone was 180,000,000,000.

Within the last month strict government control over all dealings in foreign exchange has raised the krone from about 85,000 to 74,000 to the dollar. But despite this there has been no appreciable check in rising prices. It is claimed, for example, that flour, margarine, beef, fats, coffee, clothing, shoes and furs are above world parity.

The government and private interests recently initiated a fight against the index number system. An amendment to the statute was brought in by which the government will pay only one-half of any future increase, while private employers served notice they would not meet it, but would negotiate the basis of increase with the unions. Organized labor of every kind rose as a man, and more than half a dozen unions are still on strike.

The unions claim that the index system is not a cause of increased prices, but a thermometer, and that the basic fault is lack of control over profiteering in necessities.

## THE DIRECTORS MEET TO DISCUSS WAYS AND MEANS OF HELPING THE SOLDIERS ON ARMISTICE DAY.

At a called meeting of the directors of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday, which meeting was called for the purpose of discussing ways and means of helping the members of Roanoke Post of the American Legion in their celebration here on Armistice Day, it was decided to contribute two hundred dollars toward the expense of this big event, and more if necessary.

An extra \$500 of large automobile billboards ordered and arranged for advertising the Chamber of Commerce and adjoining counties were discussed. It was also suggested that large streamers be placed across the principal streets of all the nearby towns wherever there is no objection raised to doing so.

The matter of closing the stores for the occasion was deferred until a meeting of the Merchants Association can be had, at which time that body will take the matter up. The eleventh coming on Saturday will make it rather inconvenient for the merchants to close, but the members of the local post hope that they will suspend business for at least a portion of the day.

With the Chamber of Commerce, the Merchants Association and the Roanoke Post all co-operating, together with the patriotic citizens of the town and community, the occasion promises to be one of the very biggest events ever staged in Scotland Neck.

Everyone is enthusiastic about a BIG DAY ALL DAY ARMISTICE DAY.

COTTON MARKET	
TODAY'S MARKET	
October	23.95
December	24.05
January	23.77
March	23.86
May	23.78
July	23.55
YESTERDAY'S MARKET	
October	23.50
December	23.59
January	23.37
March	23.47
May	23.40
July	23.19

**WEATHER REPORT**  
For North Carolina: Fair to night and cooler on the north-east coast. Probably light fresh winds tonight. Wednesday fair and warmer. Diminishing north-west and north winds.

## HAMBURG'S POOR MAY GET GOVERNMENTAL HELP

(By Associated Press)  
Hamburg, Oct. 21.—Two hundred and eighty million marks are required to help the poor of Hamburg city and state through the winter, according to an estimate of the public welfare office which has been submitted to the state senate.

This sum would include the following provisions: 100,000,000 for general welfare activities, 20,000,000 for war sufferers, 50,000,000 for fuel for the needy, 10,000,000 for clothing and shoes, 25,000,000 for reducing the prices of milk, 40,000,000 for lowering the cost of foodstuffs, 30,000,000 for the establishment and conduct of school-childrens' feeding, and 5,000,000 for aiding aged persons and limited wage-earners.

The likely sources of these funds have not yet been specified, although large contributions are expected from the central government.